

NEWS FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS

LATEST NEWS FROM THE DIFFERENT PARTS
TOLD IN A BRIEF WAY.

THE GRAHAMVILLE AND CONNOR COUNTRY.

Correspondence Ocala Banner:

The second annual Perkins' re-union was given Tuesday, August 7, at Scrub Lake.

The two annual Perkins' re-union picnics are given each year in honor of the respective birthdays of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Perkins by their sons and daughters and best of friends. They are given under the gnarled oaks on the shores of Scrub Lake which is near the home of this estimable pioneer couple.

The first one is given on June 21, commemorating the anniversary of Mr. Perkins; the second on August 7, commemorating that of Mrs. Perkins birth.

At ten o'clock in the forenoon the picnickers began to arrive, and it was not until the "long and short hand of the Perkins' clock stood at twelve that everyone was there.

They came from Connor, Grahamville, Moss Bluff, Electra, Lynn and even from far off Oxford, all bringing baskets boxes and even trunks, all filled with cakes and all manner of goodies, prepared by the women, bless them.

The day was a fine sunny one and such a one as none but California, Arizona and Florida can produce, i.e., a day which was not too warm, nor too cool, but just the ideal picnic day.

At one o'clock, the fish which had been caught by a party of gentlemen early in the morning, at Lake Jumper, and Lake Pan, began to sizzle in the pans, and half an hour afterwards, they were done and set aside to cool.

It was promptly two o'clock by the sun, when Rev. B. I. Hull asked the divine blessing over the large table of good things and it was not until an hour afterwards that the inner man was satisfied.

It was a dinner fit for kings and Floridians.

After dinner the afternoon was spent most pleasantly in tete-tete by the entire picnic party.

The clock upon the mantle at the home of the Perkins' had struck five before the crowds began to depart for their homes.

Congratulations were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Perkins upon their age by the entire crowd before leaving.

"We wish to congratulate both of you upon your respective ages, Mr. and Mrs. Perkins," everyone said, to this famous couple, "and" continuing in the same strain of thought, "we wish you many more years of living blessedness."

On June 21 Mr. H. W. Perkins was seventy years old, and on August the seventh, Mrs. Perkins, his wife, was sixty-eight, just two years her husband's junior.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Perkins are very feeble, and they cannot very well get about unless assisted.

The crowd at the picnic was estimated to be about one hundred and twenty-five persons.

Mrs. Robert Fore and child, of Oxford, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Fore.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jones and family, of Anthony; Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Smith, Miss Dora Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fore, of Connor, will on Thursday leave for an outing at Lake Bryant. They will spend a week at the lake fishing.

Mrs. S. L. Griggs, of Oxford, is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. W. Perkins.

Mr. Pat T. Randall, who went down to the metropolis on business last week, has returned home. Mr. Randall informed us that within a fortnight he would have his pleasure launch, the "Winona," in trim for excursion trips on Silver Springs and Ocklawaha. We will announce it later when he gets his boat in trim.

This section was well represented at the "Brick City" last Monday, it being "Veteran Day." Those whom we caught on our note book were: Mr. L. M. Graham, Mr. J. W. Perkins, Mr. Isaac Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Griggs, Dr. B. F. Lisk, Mr. John Holly, Mr. Will Holly and Mr. G. Holly.

Last week was a splendid week for fishing. On Tuesday morning Mr. Isaac Perkins, Mr. Oscar Williams, Mr. Brinson Griggs and Mr. Wm. Roberts went up to Lake Jumper and within an hour had caught one hundred bream and ten trout, and at the same morning, Mr. Len Wilson and Mr. Walter Perkins went to Lake Pan and caught eight trout which weighed thirty-eight pounds.

Wednesday, August 8, was Master J. W. Randall's 7th birthday, and to commemorate the day, J. W. and his little brother accompanied their father, Mr. Pat T. Randall in his launch to Silver Springs. J. W. took a sumptuous lunch along with him to fully carry out his previous arranged plans to celebrate his birthday.

ALBERT ANSON GRAHAM.

DAISY NO. 1.

We are having some disagreeable weather at present. But not so much so that the loggers can keep on rushing in the logs.

Rev. Hammond Martin preached a very interesting sermon Sunday morning and night.

We are glad to see Master Albert Martin improving.

Our school will not start until the first Monday in September.

Look out A. Y. Names that are put in public places are like monkey's tails. They are liable to get stepped on.

Mrs. Lennie all has been very ill for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Holley called on Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wells at Eureka last Sunday.

Mr. A. P. Marsh made a flying trip to the beautiful Silver Springs last Sunday.

Mrs. S. P. Marsh's sister, Mrs. S. G. Perry, is visiting her at the present.

The Grahamville writer seems to think that crops are so much better over there than anywhere else. I expect we will have to send several families over to help poor Albert gather his corn. Make preparations for we are coming.

We noticed that June Bug was silent for some time. What's the matter J. B.?

We would like to hear from you.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hines are visiting Mrs. Harris' parents in Georgia. We wish them a pleasant visit.

Miss Johnnie Priest is very ill with dague fever. We wish to see her able to be out again soon.

HERE AND THERE.

Changes at Belleview.

Mr. Thomas A. Mitchell, who has been in charge of the Marion Mercantile Company at Belleview for several years has severed his connections with this company and has been succeeded by Mr. O. M. Gale, of this city.

Mr. Mitchell, however, left Friday for New York City, where he will purchase the fall and winter goods for this growing concern. He will be in New York for several weeks on business after which he will take a vacation before embarking in another line of work.

NOTES FROM FAIRFIELD.

Special Correspondence:

The Methodist people here wish to thank the Presbyterians for the use of their church Sunday. The Methodist Episcopal church will soon be in comfortable order. Ladies' Aid society will meet at the M. E. church Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Harvey has returned home, after a pleasant stay with her son, L. L. Harvey, at Bradentown.

Mr. Dodd, who has been in Georgia several weeks, was at Fairfield last week looking around.

Mr. J. B. Cutler, superintendent of the G. & G. railroad, was here on business recently.

Mr. Robert Ellis, of Gainesville, will be here for some time looking after the grading crew.

Miss Maude Brutin, of Gainesville, is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. E. Burch, this week.

Miss Allie Mack, of Ocala, is a guest of her cousins, Misses Florrie and Lula Jennings.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Smith, of Martin, were at Mr. B. S. Jennings' Sunday.

Mrs. B. S. Jennings and little son, Lowey, have gone to Orange Springs.

Mr. A. J. McLaughlin and Conductor Carter have gone to New York on a pleasure trip.

Mr. Alex Yongue is back again and is looking well.

HETTY GREEN'S SON NAMED.

Republican Convention Nominates Him for Governor of Texas.

Special to the Ocala Banner:

Houston, Tex., Aug. 16.—The faction of the republican party of Texas known as the "reorganized party" held its state convention here today. E. H. R. Green of Terrell, president of the Texas Midland railroad and the son of Mrs. Hetty Green of New York, was nominated for governor. J. C. Gibbons, formerly mayor of Paris, Texas, was named for lieutenant governor.

The resolutions commend the national administration and denounces Cecil Lyon, the Republican national committeeman for Texas. Considerable enthusiasm was displayed when the name of Secretary of War Taft was mentioned.

W. M. McDonald, a negro, of Terrell, was named as national committeeman, and will contest the right of Cecil A. Lyon to the place.

Don't forget the meeting of the Home Mission society this afternoon at the Methodist church at 4 o'clock.

LIFE AT BELLEVIEW.

Special Correspondence:

The Marion Mercantile Company of Belleview has sold out their business to McGehee & Mayo. Mr. T. A. Mitchell, their manager, left Tuesday morning for a much-needed rest. He goes first to Jacksonville; later he will visit Richmond, Va.; Washington, D. C., and New York city. Mrs. Mitchell and little daughter, Pauline, are at Summerfield, and will be joined later by Mr. Mitchell. The McGehee & Mayo Company have secured the services of Mr. O. M. Gale, formerly of the Teapot Grocery, of Ocala, as manager. Mr. Gale is a former resident of Belleview and his many friends are glad to welcome him back.

Mr. Rex and Miss Edna Nichols celebrated their birthday on Monday evening by giving their many friends a party. A goodly number were present. The evening was spent with games and music. Delicious refreshments were served and the guests departed, wishing their host and hostess many happy returns of the day.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist church will hold an ice cream social at the town hall on Thursday evening, August 16.

Mrs. True Whittier left Friday for Indian Springs, Ga., for a short vacation.

Mrs. J. A. Sansbury has returned to her home in Panasoffkee, after spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. R. A. Bradlee.

Mrs. C. A. Tremere and two daughters, Elinor and Minnie, left last week to spend their vacation in the north. Mr. Tremere accompanied them to Jacksonville and then returned to Belleview.

The Rev. Mr. Barze, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, has gone to Mount Dora, where he will enjoy a well-earned rest before the camping season begins next week. His family went with him.

Miss Ethel Richardson, of Ocala, is spending a few days with her friend, Miss Edna Nichols.

There was preaching Sunday at the Baptist church by Rev. Mr. Rogers. Baptism in the morning at Lake Lillian and reception of members in the evening.

ECHO.

KENDRICK ITEMS.

Special Correspondence:

The ice cream supper given here Friday night was the best that has ever been given at this place. It was well attended by people from Ocala, Martin and Lowell. The seats were nicely arranged by the ladies and beautiful bouquets were placed around the room. The ladies extend gratitude to the young men from Ocala, Martin and Lowell for their generosity. Miss Beulah Carrington sold button bouquets to the gentlemen. Altogether the committee realized a nice sum of money for their new church, which we hope will soon be erected.

Miss Dora Turnipseed and sister, Mrs. Anne Alken, of Ocala, spent the latter part of the week with relatives here.

Miss Beulah Carrington is visiting relatives at Dunnellon and Hernando this week.

Farmers in this section are through gathering fodder. The early bird catches the worm, you know.

Miss Hattie Sims is on the sick list. Her numerous friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. C. E. Nix, of Grahamville, was in Ocala Wednesday, looking after business interests.

Mrs. James Carrington is rapidly improving.

GUESS.

The Big Removal Sale.

It is known to most of our readers that the corner store in the Holder block, now occupied by the Boston store, has been leased by Messrs C. Rheinauer & Co., which forces Mr. Handelman, proprietor of the Boston store, to move into other quarters, and he is advertising a great "Removal Sale," beginning August 20, which will continue until September 1.

This is no fake sale, but it is absolute and the goods must be sold, even at a sacrifice, for the proprietor is compelled to move, and there is no other store in sight at present for him to occupy, and the goods must go.

Read the splendid list of bargains offered for sale and the prices therefor. Make your selections and be on hand at the opening to secure them.

See ad. in weekly and Sunday's daily.

Band Excursion.

Excursion to Lake Weir (East Lake), Sunday, August 19th, for the benefit of the Metropolitan Band. Round trip, \$1 for adults; 50 cents for children. Tickets on sale at Tydings' drug store; Anti-Monopoly drug store, Anderson's drug store, Bridges' confectionery. Music, bathing and a good time generally.

McINTOSH ITEMS.

Mrs. W. M. Gist has returned home from her visit in Baltimore and other points in Maryland.

P. M. King is soon to move to Arcadia. Mr. King says he will certainly get a permit to return to McIntosh before leaving.

Dr. Guerrant has returned from a two months' visit in Georgia, and reports Mrs. Guerrant and his little daughter in excellent health.

We are glad to report L. H. Willis as improving and out again, after a wrestle with bilious fever.

R. Daigne and wife returned home this week. They took in the reunion at Chattanooga on their trip in northern Georgia.

Mr. Geering, of Leesburg, was shown over some of the stock farms and trucking lands of this section by W. H. Hopkins this week.

Dr. Clark Walkup is out again, after a severe malarial attack of several days.

J. W. Means will return from Fort Springs today.

Dr. Martin has returned from Conyers, Ga., where he has been holding a series of meetings.

M. G. Bateman is out again, after a shake up of a few days.

Sam Rush has accepted a position with the G. & G. railroad company, and will take the agency at Clyatt.

Mr. S. H. Galtskill is doing some repairs on his dwelling and putting a new roof on it.

ORANGE LAKE ITEMS.

Mr. Joe Cannon, a very successful truck grower of this section, has bought the McClimonds country home, and will make it his home in the future. Mr. D. H. Irvine purchased the other part of the McClimonds place.

Mr. D. H. Boyd is making an addition to his house.

Miss Maggie Vaughan is visiting her uncle, Rev. T. C. Cooper, at Lady Lake, who is pastor of the Methodist church of that place.

Mrs. Daniels and little daughter, from New Smyrna, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Berry.

Miss Elizabeth Myzelle is enjoying the cool breezes of Mont Eagle, where she has gone to spend the summer in company with Mrs. Emma White, of Citra.

Robert Whitney of St. Petersburg is visiting his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Burry.

Masters Henry and Geo. Wilson, of Jacksonville, are the guests of their grandmother, Mrs. S. A. Stewart, while their father and mother are visiting Buffalo Springs for their father's health.

Rev. Mr. Clark preached at the Baptist church last Sunday and in the afternoon administered baptism at the lake.

FROM FERTILE FLORIDA.

What They are Doing in the Land of the Grapefruit and Pine.

G. W. Carter, of Lawty, has cleared \$1,200 this season on 40,000 strawberry plants.

So far this season Sanford has shipped vegetables to the amount of \$40,000 breaking all records.

A recent shipment of 600 Avacado pears was recently made from Miami to Santiago de las Vegas, Cuba.

The soil about Orange Springs produces fine Irish potatoes. They have a fine flavor and are good shippers.

From reports given from orange growers of the De Land section, Beresford, Lake Helen, Orange City, Lake Winnemisset, Glenwood and Spring Garden, the orange crop next winter will be a fine one. It is estimated that there will be over 100,000 boxes shipped from the above places.

This is the season of the year when truckers and growers are putting in their seed beds and preparing for the planting of the fall crop of pepper, tomato and other crops, and throughout the farming sections of the county the fall tomato acreage in Dade county will not be materially increased, but the spring crop will be materially decreased.

Candler growers shipped 2,000 crates of peaches this season and netted on an average of \$1 per crate. W. H. Baxter, of that place, shipped \$500 worth of peaches from an orchard of ten acres only 17 months old.

There will be the usual crop of Japanese sugar cane grown at De Land this year, and there will be thousands of gallons of syrup made from it.

Heavy showers around Boynton have been quite numerous the past week, which greatly retards work preparing to set pineapple slips. Every grower almost and several new ones are preparing to set quite a large acreage this fall. The pines have paid well this year.—New York Fruit and Produce News.

WE HEARD HOKE SMITH.

During a recent visit to Atlanta we had the good fortune to hear Hon. Hoke Smith, candidate for the gubernatorial nomination of Georgia, make one of his famous campaign speeches.

Before he began his oration we fell into conversation with a group of his admirers and was told that we would hear the greatest orator that Georgia has ever produced. We were told that he easily eclipsed Bob Toombs, Howell Cobb, Alexander Stephens, Benjamin H. Hill, or John B. Gordon. Perhaps our anticipations were too much exalted; our sights had been raised too high.

At all events, the distinguished speaker fell far short of our expectations.

He began his speech by saying that he had spoken in one hundred and forty of the one hundred and forty-five counties of Georgia. The wear and tear of such a campaign was telling on him. He was not in good voice, and that portion of his speech that we heard was devoted to repelling attacks that he denounced as scandalous and scurrilous and perhaps he was too intent and earnest in his denunciations of them for the display of the ornaments of speech.

His presence is commanding, but his gestures are not particularly graceful, and as a campaign speaker he is not captivating nor magnetic. What he says, however, is said in a strong, forceful and impressive manner, but he lacks the insinuating and plausible manners, say, of Hon. Robert W. Davis, of this state, and the sledge hammer eloquence and force of Hon. R. A. Buford.

As a campaign speaker these two Floridians can give him cards and spades and beat him two to one in the game.

Of course, it cannot be possible that Hoke Smith trains in the same class with the lamented Toombs, Stephens, Gordon and Hill.

We do not wish, however, to be understood as saying he is not a great speaker, for to sway the crowds and receive the ovations that he has during the past thirteen months proves the futility of any such statement.

To listen to him one is impressed with the fact that he possesses a strong and powerful individuality, but as a speaker he lacks the grace and address, the wit and humor, the versatility and magnetism that make the ideal campaigner.

Florida, in our judgment, has men with far less reputation, that are his superiors as campaign performers.

Hoke Smith, however, is all to the good. He is now on the crest of a popular wave and unless all signs fall will receive the gubernatorial nomination by overwhelming odds. Conservative men estimate that he will carry one hundred of the one hundred and forty-five counties of Georgia, and when he is elected he will be the governor. No one else will pull the strings for him.

The belief is general that as soon as he gets into office "there'll be something doing."

The Popular Tourist Coat.

"Women that must practice economy find that a tourist coat obviates the need of a special traveling suit," says Helen Berkeley-Loyd in the September Delineator.

"Its ample folds completely hide the gown worn beneath, even while they protect it from dust and travel stain. Indeed, among the fortunate ones who need never economize, there are those who omit the traveling dress altogether, and don instead an ordinary morning frock when they set forth upon a short trip. The extreme popularity of week-end visits to country homes at this season of the year has created a strong demand for these coats, and, in response the shops show a large variety of models. Many of these are of light weight, suitable alike for auto-mobiling or for short train trips. The white taffeta lining in the high cost coat is not so incongruous as it would seem at first glance. It proves of practical value to the woman, who, daintily gowned, must travel by train or motor, to attend a dinner at a distant country house, or a fashionable evening function at the Country Club. The light-weight coats, suitable for such occasions, are of tussore, pongee, Shantung and taffeta. The popular color is ecru, golden brown, the whole gamut of blue, and reds. Cloth tourist coats are of tweed, fancy mixtures, checks and shadowy plaids.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Cline and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cline left yesterday for Auburndale, where they have a beautiful place and will rest there for the next thirty days. The Messrs. Cline have been busy for the past month or two working day and night on special orders, and have earned the rest that they have decided to take.

GEORGIA'S CAPITOL AND HER LEGISLATURE.

While in Atlanta we took a peep at Georgia's capitol and a glimpse at her legislature, which was then in session. Colonel West (so well known here), president of the senate, presides with ease and grace and has made a most popular presiding officer. Although Georgia has a hundred and forty-five counties, her senate is but little larger than our own. Every senator on an average represents four counties. There is an effort now on foot to increase the number of senators, and it perhaps will be done.

The house is a much larger body. No legislature that has ever assembled in Georgia has won its way into such popular favor. Unlike the legislature of Florida, which comes in with the blowing of trumpets, the legislature of Georgia went out with trumpets sounding in its ears.

It is positively stated that the legislature of Georgia, which adjourned Wednesday, was not mixed up with graft nor the suspicion of graft of any kind, and the whole press of Georgia is singing its praises.

Among the good things for which it is praised most highly is the passage of the child labor bill; the establishment of a court of appeals for the relief of the supreme court; the passage of the Boykin bucket shop bill, which kills these establishments in Georgia; the Wright bill for pure elections; the providing of the election of railroad commissioners by the people, and an appropriation to have Georgia fittingly represented at the Jamestown exposition.

The bill that was uppermost the day we were there and which called forth thrilling and impassioned eloquence, was a bill providing for an appropriation of \$15,000 to aid in the erection of an equestrian statue to Gen. John B. Gordon to be erected on the capitol grounds.

This is a noble sentiment, for we cannot honor our heroes too much, and the enthusiasm it instills in the passing generation compensates for all the money that the treasury loses.

We are glad that Georgia thinks so much of her civil and military sons. In the capitol in conspicuous places are displayed large oil paintings and statues of her gifted and distinguished men.

We noticed oil paintings of Governor Oglethorpe, Alexander H. Stephens, Governor George M. Troup, Senator Benjamin H. Hill, Representative Crisp, Dr. Long and a number of others. These exhibitions serve a useful and noble purpose in that they stir the ambition of the young and cause them to try and emulate the virtues and reverence the characters of these men.

This leads us to say that Florida should emulate the example of Georgia.

Not only the state, but our counties should perpetuate in bronze or marble or on canvas the character of our representative citizens.

Marion county should have in her court house square a statue of her civil and military hero, Gen. Robt. Bullock, and other civic and military chieftains, as well as the Confederate monument, the funds for which are now being raised by our noble Daughters of the Confederacy.

We are now receiving among our exchanges the Beaver, which is printed at Birmingham, Ala., and is the official organ of the Independent Order of Beavers. It is an excellent publication, and is filled with things of interest to the Beavers. The Beaver is issued monthly. This order now has thirty-eight strong dams, and is continually growing in strength and numbers.

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